Title: Regarding status of implementation of recommendations contained in the first report of Standing Committee on Coal and Steel. − Laid.

12.04 hrs.

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(DR. DASARI NARAYAN RAO): I beg to lay on the Table a copy of the statement (Hindi and English versions) regarding the status of implementation of recommendations contained in the First Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel.

∗ I am laying this statement on the status of implementation of recommendations contained in the First Report of Parliamentary Standing Committee on Coal and Steel in pursuance of direction 73 A of the Hon. Speaker, Lok Sabha issued *vide* Lok Sabha Bulletin-Part II, dated September 1, 2004.

The First Report of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel (14th Lok Sabha) was presented to the Lok Sabha on 25.08.2004. The Report relates to the examination of Demands for Grants of Ministry of Coal for the year 2004-05.

Action taken statements on the recommendations/observations contained in the report of the Committee had been sent to the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on 25.11.2004 and 16.12.2004.

There are 15 recommendations made by the Committee in the said report where action is called for on the part of the Government. These recommendations mainly pertain to the issues like formulation of Coal Vision document, realistic project estimates, utilisation of Heavy Earth Moving Machinery, Projects of NLC Limited, recovery of outstanding dues of NLC Ltd. with SEBs, Environmental Measures and Subsidence Control Scheme, Rehabilitation, Control of Fire and Subsidence, disposal of surplus land acquired in Chhattisgarh, Coal Transportation Contract, identification and weeding of bogus companies which are in business of black marketing of coal etc.

The present status of implementation of the various recommendations made by the Committee is indicated in the annexure to my statement which is laid on the Table of the House.

MR. SPEAKER: I have committed myself that I would call Shri Suresh Prabhu first because he wants to raise a very important issue regarding the flood situation in Mumbai.

According to the procedure, I have to take the Calling Attention first. There is only one hon. Member and there is no second Member. Therefore, let us finish it as soon as possible. Please co-operate.

SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL (ERANDOL): Please allow me also. ...(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: I will call you. I will give you an opportunity.